

**To:** Members of the Transportation Committee

**From:** Rebecca L. Riss, U-Haul of Connecticut

**Re:** Supporting HB-6620

**Date:** March 6, 2009

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I am writing to ask you to support An Act Creating A Procedure For Self-Storage Facilities To Auction Automobiles Abandoned At Such Facilities, HB-6620. I have 10 self storage facilities in the state of Connecticut.

The Connecticut lien law (C.G.S. §42-160 et seq.) gives us a process of dealing with customers who have stopped paying rent or who may have abandoned their property. The problem is this law does not address the issue of motor vehicles and their titles.

I currently have 4 such situations in which I am unable to bring to auction because there is no way for the person purchasing the property at the auction to obtain a title. This is continuing to create more lost revenue for my business because I am unable to remove these non paying customers to get paying customers into these spaces.

I am aware that other states have handled this issue and have forms available to render this situation. We have an issue and we know the solution, I hope that you see and understand what we are facing and pass this into legislation. Thank you.